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Response Under 37 CFR § 1.116  
Expedited Procedure - Group 2672

In re Application of:  
HIDEAKI OHSHIMA et al.  
Application No.: 09/176,274  
Filed: October 21, 1998  
For: IMAGE PROCESSING APPARATUS  
AND METHOD, AND  
COMPUTER-READABLE MEMORY

Docket No.  
00862.002492  
Examiner: J. Brier  
Group Art Unit: 2672  
Date: July 17, 2003

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment After Final Rejection in the above-identified application.

No additional fee is required.

The fee has been calculated as shown below

CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	(2) CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		(4) HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	(5) PRESENT EXTRA	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	* 23	MINUS	** 29	= 0	x \$9 \$18	0
INDEP. CLAIMS	* 3	MINUS	*** 5	= 0	x \$42 \$84	0
Fee for Multiple Dependent claims \$140°/\$280						
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT---						-0-

\* If the entry in Column 2 is less than the entry in Column 4, write "0" in Column 5.

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- Verified Statement claiming small entity status is enclosed, if not filed previously.
- A check in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ is enclosed.
- Charge \$\_\_\_\_\_ to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- Any prior general authorization to charge an issue fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.18 to Deposit Account No. 06-1205 is hereby revoked. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required during the entire pendency of this application, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed.
- A check in the amount of \$930.00 to cover the fee for a three-month extension is enclosed.
- A check in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ to cover the Information Disclosure Statement fee is enclosed.
- Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Costa Mesa, CA office at (714) 540-8700. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

Respectfully submitted,



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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated January 22, 2003, the term for responding to which having been extended to July 22, 2003 by the accompanying Petition For Extension Of Time, please amend the above-identified application as follows: